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Dear Mr. Walker:

I am writing in response to your letter dated March 29, 2000 in which you questioned our payments of administrative expenses and administrative personnel expenses. As you know, the Ernst & Young Political Action Committee (E&Y PAC) is a non-connected committee and we occupy space within the firm of Ernst & Young LLP. To carry out the day to day operations of the E&Y PAC, we pay the firm \$200 on a monthly basis for the use of file space, utilities, telephone service and office equipment.

Also the E&Y PAC uses Ernst & Young employees to carry out the administrative functions of the PAC, such as mailing solicitation letters, recording receipts and disbursements and filing the monthly reports with the Commission. The E&Y PAC reimburses the firm for employee's salary for the amount of time spent on PAC issues and other costs incurred by the employee on behalf of the PAC. These amounts vary from month to month depending upon the activity level of the employee or employees in conjunction with the PAC.

I hope this responds to your request for information. If you have any additional concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 703-747-1918.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Urban

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